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10 Years of Dedicated Service

At the June 21st NCTC meeting Daniel B. Landon, Executive Director of the Nevada County Transportation Commission, was presented a plaque in recognition of his first ten years of service. The present Commission expressed their gratitude and sincere appreciation for Mr. Landon's unique capabilities and dedication to the transportation needs of Nevada County.



SSTAC to Discuss Unmet Transit Needs

The Social Services Transportation Advisory Council will be meeting at the Nevada County Superintendent of Schools Office in the Fellerson conference room on Monday, July 24th, from 2:00-4:00 P.M. to discuss and identify unmet transit needs that may exist in Nevada County. The public is invited to attend.

A Single Point Urban Interchange in Nevada County's Future?

In June, NCTC staff received the administrative draft report for the Intersection Improvement Analysis -SR 20/SR 49 from Empire Street to the Brighton Street Overcrossing. Several key conclusions and recommendations for mitigation within the study area are summarized in this report. The intersections included in the study can generally handle projected traffic volumes today at satisfactory levels of service, but some will fail by the year 2020 without the appropriate mitigations. Buildout traffic conditions (Year 2040+) were analyzed as well, and in certain cases, the typical mitigations did not provide satisfactory results. At the Empire Interchange, the consultant recommended construction of a Single Point Urban Interchange.



Single Point Urban Interchange (SPUI)

This improvement was recommended for the Empire Interchange due to superior performance on all considerations for the interchange, including very high capacity, more typical design, and the ability to accommodate bikes and pedestrians. Once comments on the draft are received from the stakeholders, they will be incorporated into the final report, which will be presented to the Commission at the September 20th NCTC meeting.

Upcoming NCTC Meeting

The next meeting of the Nevada County Transportation Commission will be held Wednesday, August 16th at 9:30 A.M., in the Nevada County Board of Supervisors Chambers, First Floor, Eric Rood Administrative Center, 950 Maidu Avenue, Nevada City, California.

SR 49 Comprehensive Corridor Plan

NCTC is currently waiting for approval of a Caltrans Consolidated Planning Grant to fund a corridor plan for the segment of SR 49 from Dry Creek Road in Placer County to McKnight Way in Nevada County. The comprehensive corridor plan will establish standards for traffic operations, identify important natural resources and cultural resources, and develop a policy framework that will maintain and enhance the identified resources and traffic operations.

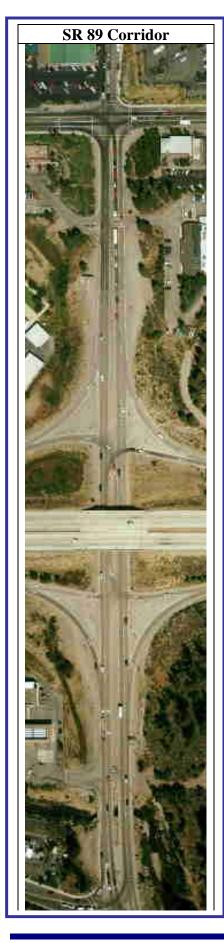


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SR 89 South Corridor Improvement Analysis to be Discussed at Public Workshop

In June, the SR 89 South Corridor Improvement Analysis draft report was received by NCTC staff and involved stakeholders. Staff is waiting for comments on the draft report from Caltrans, Traffic Operations Division, before the report is made available to the public. This report will be circulated to the public prior to the Town of Truckee holding a joint public workshop, tentatively planned, during the fourth week in July. After comments are received at the public workshop, the final report will be completed.

Some of the recommendations from this report include:

Improvements at the I-80/SR 89 ramp intersections to address both existing safety and capacity problems.

Signalization of the West River Street and SR 89 intersection.

Provision of left-turn lanes at Donner Pass Road/SR 89 intersections or the construction of a roundabout at this location.

Widening of the "Mousehole" to improve the existing pedestrian and bicycle conditions. This mitigation will also improve the traffic flow by reducing the "friction" associated with the existing geometry, and will also avoid the need for larger vehicles to detour through downtown Truckee.





NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ANNUAL DETERMINATION OF UNMET TRANSIT NEEDS BY THE NEVADA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST, 16, 2000 AT 10:00 A.M. AT THE NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CHAMBERS, ERIC ROOD ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER, 950 MAIDU AVENUE, NEVADA CITY.

The purpose of this Public Hearing is to receive testimony identifying or commenting on Unmet Transit Needs that may exist within Nevada County and that might be reasonable to meet.

The Commission's definition of "reasonable to meet" may take into consideration such factors as equity, timing, feasibility, community acceptance, economy (short-term and long-term), cost effectiveness, and other factors related to transit services deemed appropriate by the Commission.

Individuals, as well as, representatives of groups interested in transportation, are invited to attend and participate.

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